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Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR LASER  
MARKING A GEMSTONE

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT  
AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on 26 September 2006. Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.